

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 6901

A RESOLUTION granting a short term extension to the natural gas franchise previously granted to Washington Natural Gas Company (now doing business as Puget Sound Energy) pursuant to Resolution No. 5276; and amending Resolution No. 5276.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 5276 adopted on May 29, 1990, the City Council of the City of Bellevue granted a natural gas franchise to Washington Natural Gas Company for the transmission, distribution and sale of gas within the City of Bellevue; and

WHEREAS, City staff is currently preparing a new franchise to be considered by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the term of the existing franchise to provide certainty as to the rights and responsibilities of Puget Sound Energy to operate a natural gas utility within the City of Bellevue; now, therefore,

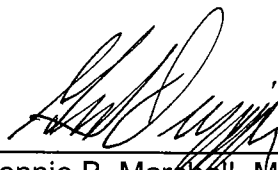
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The natural gas franchise granted to Washington Natural Gas Company pursuant to Resolution No. 5276 adopted on May 29, 1990 is hereby amended by extending the term of such franchise to November 3, 2003, or until Puget Sound Energy files its written acceptance with the City Clerk of a new natural gas franchise with the City of Bellevue, whichever, occurs first. Except for the extension of the term of said franchise, as provided herein, all provisions of the franchise granted pursuant to Resolution No. 5276 shall remain in effect. By accepting this extension Puget Sound Energy accepts all other provisions of the franchise adopted pursuant to Resolution 5276.

Section 2. This extension of the natural gas franchise with Puget Sound Energy shall be effective immediately upon adoption of this resolution and the filing with the City Clerk of acceptance by Puget Sound Energy.

Passed by the City Council this 15th day of September, 2003, and signed in authentication of its passage this 15th day of September, 2003.

(SEAL)



Connie B. Marshall, Mayor

Attest:



Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk